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Application No. : TBD Group Art Unit: TBD  
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For : SUPPORTING B+ TREE INDEXES ON PRIMARY B+  
TREE STRUCTURES WITH LARGE PRIMARY KEYS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir,

Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for entry and consideration prior to the examination of the above-identified application.

**IN THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION**

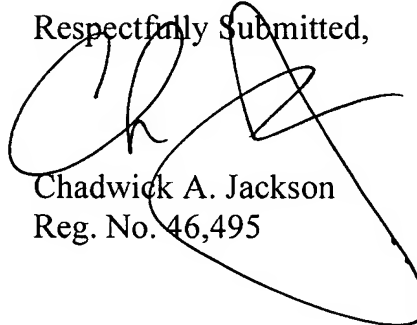
Please add the following paragraph after the Title and before the Field of the Invention appearing on page 1 of the Written Description:

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/871,720, filed June 4, 2001, now allowed, which is incorporated in its entirety by references herein.

**Additional Fees:**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any insufficient fees or credit any overpayment associated with this application to Deposit Account No. 19-5127 (19111.0143).

Respectfully Submitted,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Jackson', is written over the printed name and registration number.

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